

products in preference to other products that may meet their needs, but do not have environmental benefits.

B. Annual Reporting Burden

Respondents: 3,200; *annual responses:* 3,200; *average hours per response:* .5; *burden hours:* 16,000.

COPY OF PROPOSAL: A copy of this proposal may be obtained from the GSA Acquisition Policy Division (MVP), Room 4011, GSA Building, 1800 F Street, NW., Washington, DC 20405, or by telephoning (202) 501-3822, or by faxing your request to (202) 501-3341.

Dated: August 12, 1997.

Ida M. Ustad,

Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Acquisition Policy.

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GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

Region 9, Portfolio Management; Environmental Impact Statement Notice of Availability and Public Meeting Notice

[Contract No. GS-09P-96-KTD-0020, Order No. P-09-96-KT-004-2]

AGENCY: United States General Services Administration.

ACTION: Environmental Impact Statement Notice of Availability and Public Meeting Notice.

SUMMARY: The General Services Administration (GSA) announces the availability of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for realignment and expansion of the Tecate Port of Entry (POE) in Tecate, California. GSA will hold a public meeting to take public comments on the DEIS. GSA is proposing to realign and expand the United States Border Facility Tecate Port of Entry (POE) to eliminate on-site traffic safety hazards for motorists and pedestrians and upgrade inadequate water supply, wastewater and stormwater facilities. Commercial inspection booths would be constructed so that inspection activity currently taking place on the southbound shoulder of Tecate Road/State Route 188 would be accomplished within POE boundaries. An addition to the main building would be constructed to allow for more administrative space for United States Customs Service, Immigration and Naturalization agents, and the United States Department of Agriculture. The current water supply system would be expanded to accommodate additional employees and the new addition. A stormwater

retention basin would also be constructed. The EIS evaluated alternatives to the preferred action including closure of the POE, placing operating limits on the POE, and no action. This project is necessary to improve the safety and system efficiency of the existing POE. This project is not expected to have a significant impact on environmental resources.

DATES: The public meeting will be held on Thursday, September 18, 1997 from 6-8 PM. The public comment period ends on Monday, September 29, 1997.

ADDRESSES: The public meeting will be held at the Tecate POE, located at the intersection of State Route 188 and the United States/Mexico border. Copies of the EIS are available for review at the following public libraries.

Central Library, 820 East Street, San Diego, CA 92101

Jacumba County Library, P.O. Box 186, Jacumba, CA 91934

Potrero Public Library, 24955 Library Lane, Potrero, CA 91963

Campo Marina County Library, P.O. Box 207, Campo, CA 91906

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

U.S. General Services Administration, Attn: Rosanne Nieto 450 Golden Gate Avenue, 3rd Floor West, San Francisco, California 94102. Fax: (415) 522-3215.

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 4321-4347 and 40 CFR 1500-1508.

Dated: August 14, 1997.

Arlin M. Timberlake,

Director, Portfolio Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics: Meeting

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the Department of Health and Human Services announced the following advisory committee meeting.

Name: National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics (NCVHS).

Times and Dates: 9:00 a.m.-5:30 p.m., September 8, 1997. 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., September 9, 1997.

The Subcommittee on Health Data Needs, Standards and Security also will meet on September 8 from 7:00 p.m. until 9:30 p.m.

Place: Sheraton City Center Hotel, 1143 New Hampshire Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20037.

The closest metro stops are Foggy Bottom (Blue and Orange lines) and Dupont Circle (Red Line). Limited parking is available in the area.

Status: Open.

Purpose: The meeting will focus on the Committee's progress in addressing new responsibilities in health data standards and health information privacy as outlined in the administrative simplification provisions of Pub. L. 104-191, the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA), as well as on related matters. Department officials will brief the Committee on recent activities of the HHS Data Council, the status of HHS activities in implementing the administrative simplification provisions of Pub. L. 104-191, and related data policy activities.

The Committee also is planning to consider Subcommittee reports relating to standards for health data security pursuant to Pub. L. 104-191, HIPAA data standards content issues, and OMB standards for race and ethnicity reporting. Based on those reports, the full Committee is planning to consider its HIPAA recommendations to the Secretary of Health and Human Services as well as comments to OMB. Breakout sessions are planned for the Subcommittee on Health Data Needs, Standards and Security, the Subcommittee on Privacy and Confidentiality, and the Subcommittee on Population-Specific Issues. In addition, a presentation is scheduled on the recent National Academy of Sciences panel report on Measurement and Data to Support Public Health Program Performance Measurement. The Committee also will discuss its priorities and work plans. All topics are tentative and subject to change.

Contact Person for More Information:

Substantive information as well as summaries of the meeting and a roster of committee members may be obtained by visiting the NCVHS website (<http://aspe.os.dhhs.gov/ncvhs>) or by calling James Scanlon, NCVHS Executive Staff Director, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, DHHS, Room 440-D, Humphrey Building, 200 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20201, telephone (202) 690-7100, or Marjorie S. Greenberg, Executive Secretary, NCVHS, NCHS, CDC, Room 1100, Presidential Building, 6525 Belcrest Road, Hyattsville, Maryland 20782, telephone 301/436-7050.

Dated: August 13, 1997.

James Scanlon,

Director, Division of Data Policy.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of the Secretary

Findings of Scientific Misconduct

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Office of Research Integrity (ORI) has made a final finding of scientific misconduct in the following case: